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Dear Ms. Henry, 8704 12/26/99 00 JAN 24 P3:27

Overuse of antibiotics as growth promoters in livestock causes antibiotic-resistant diseases in both humans and animals! We are headed toward pre-penicillin times where people die from pneumonia, sore throat etc...! Action is needed NOW! Fearing a rise in untreatable diseases the European Union has wisely banned all growth-promoting uses of antibiotics used in human medicine. European new husbandry practices such as better hygiene, more ventilation and using straw bedding has made this economically viable. Plus the public doesn't want to eat food tainted by chemicals! I strongly urge the FDA to follow EU's lead and MOVE IMMEDIATELY to BAN animal uses of growth-promoting antibiotics used in human medicine!

Your assistance in this most urgent matter would be much appreciated! What we do now is so important for the legacy to our future generations!

Thank you,

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